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## **DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

Sir,

- I, Helen Braven, declare as follows:
- 1. I am one of the named inventors on the above-referenced application for patent.
- 2. I, together with Dr. Russell Keay, am an inventor of the above-referenced patent application and we are also inventors of the published patent application, US 2005/0221315 A1, herein referred to as "Braven et al.".
- 3. The invention disclosure of Braven et al. was by us and not by another.
- The Braven et al. reference therefore is not a prior art anticipating reference as 4 defined by 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

- 5. The Braven et al. reference therefore is not prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).
- 6. I further declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belied are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Helen Braven, Ph.D.

Dated: January 27, 2009

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